

## STATE SUPERINTENDENT of PUBLIC INSTRUCTION OKLAHOMA STATE DEPARTMENT of EDUCATION

## **MEMORANDUM**

**TO:** The Honorable Members of the State Board of Education

**FROM:** Joy Hofmeister

**DATE:** June 25, 2015

**SUBJECT:** Alternate Tests for Oklahoma End-of-Instruction Exams

State Board approval is requested to amend list of alternate tests for the Oklahoma ACE End-of-Instruction Exams in order to meet ACE graduation requirements. 70 O.S. § 1210.523, which became effective July 1, 2006, states:

Students who do not [demonstrate mastery by scoring at least at the proficient level on the end of instruction exams] may graduate from a public high school with a standard diploma by demonstrating mastery of state academic content standards by alternative methods as approved by the State Board of Education. (70 O.S. § 1210.523(D)(1))

The State Board of Education has previously approved several alternate tests for meeting this graduation requirement. This request for approval of the ACT Aspire as an alternate test is based on research conducted by ACT that resulted in concordance charts comparing scores on the ACT Aspire to equivalent scores on the ACT Explore and the ACT Plan.

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Attachment